SHC seeks details of OGDC's social welfare funds

By Our Staff Correspondent

HYDERABAD: A division bench of Sindh High Court's Hyderabad circuit has directed the deputy commissioner to appear in court on Nov 14 along with details of social welfare funds if submitted in his office by the Oil & Gas Development Company.

The bench comprising Justice Mohammad Saleem Jessar and Justice Nisar Ahmed Bhanbhro was seized with a petition against the company.

Petitioner Mohammad Ismail Khaskheli, a resident of Sher Mohammad Bhurgari village, located near Pabban town, has accused the OGDC of not fulfilling its Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in its area of operation, i.e. Tando Jam. He alleged that the welfare funds "are being spent on papers".

He claimed that the OGDC was not complying with the Oct 28, 2013 Supreme Court judgement in this regard.

The petitioner informed court that the company had been operating 95 wells in the area for four decades but not providing health, education, employment, social welfare and training rights to local residents as envisaged in the Petroleum Policy 2013.

He said that under the CSR, oil and gas companies were supposed to share their profits with local communities.

He said that seven oil fields were located in Hyderabad's rural taluka and the company had to spend $250,000 per field on providing internship / scholarship and training of local residents and $150,000 per field on community welfare projects. However, not a penny was being spent in this regard, the petitioner claimed.

Counsel for the respondent firm submitted that he had filed comments but when he was confronted with the prayers of petition, particularly clause-2, he decided to seek one week's time from court to file revised comments with details of employees and recruitment made by the firm in all categories.

The court granted him the time and adjourned the case till Nov 14.

Murad orders immediate release of wheat support funds to small farmers

Wheat Growers' Support Programme to cost government around Rs55bn, benefit 412,000 farmers, says official statement

Dawn Report

KARACHI: Sindh Chief Minister Syed Murad Ali Shah has directed the agriculture department to immediately disburse funds to small-scale farmers for purchasing DAP (diammonium phosphate) and urea fertilisers ahead of the upcoming wheat sowing season.

Presiding over a high-level meeting on the '2025 Wheat Growers' Support Programme', the chief minister emphasised that the initiative must reach genuine farmers without delay, ensuring maximum coverage before the sowing season concludes. "This support is vital to help our small farmers prepare for the upcoming wheat season," he said.

Under the programme, Rs14,000 per acre will be provided for the purchase of DAP fertiliser, while Rs8,000 per acre will be disbursed for two urea bags, following verification. The project, costing approximately Rs55bn, targets 412,000 farmers across 2.26m acres of wheat cultivation.

The programme, first approved in principle on Sep 23, 2025, initially envisaged the provision of fertilisers 'in kind'. On Oct 24, 2025, the Sindh cabinet revised the mechanism to introduce direct cash transfers, aiming to enhance transparency and efficiency.

The Agriculture Department has developed a comprehensive digital monitoring and verification system, including Android-based apps for field assistants and Mukhtiarkars, GPS-tagged data, and central dashboards for live monitoring.

Farmers are notified via automated SMS once funds are transferred, and documentation, including CNICs, photographs, Form VII-B, and affidavits (in cases of foti khata), is uploaded directly for verification.

Mr Shah lauded the digital reforms but urged officials to ensure inclusivity so no eligible farmer is excluded due to documentary issues. He also approved an extension of the programme until Nov 8, 2025, to widen coverage.

In Sindh, wheat sowing typically begins in late October in upper regions such as Sukkur, Larkana, Khairpur, and Ghotki, and mid-November in lower regions including Hyderabad, Mirpurkhas, Badin, and Thatta, depending on canal water availability and irrigation schedules. The wheat harvest usually falls between late March and early May.

Senior Minister Sharjeel Inam Memon, Chief Secretary Asif Hyder Shah, Secretary to CM Raheem Shaikh, Secretary Agriculture Zaman Narejo, and other officials attended the meeting.

Doctors boycott OPDs at Liaquat University Hospital

HYDERABAD: Doctors observed a boycott of outpatient duties at the Liaquat University Hospital on Friday in protest against an FIR registered on a court order after death of a dengue fever patient at the LUH on October 22.

Faculty of the Liaquat University of Medical and Health Sciences (LUMHS), Jamshoro, also joined in the boycott.

The case was registered on the complaint of Amir Zardari, father of the deceased youth, Hasnain. Mr Zardari had obtained a judicial order for the FIR against a LUMHS professor, LUH medical superintendent and some other doctors holding them responsible for his son's death.

The boycott was led by LUMHS Teachers Association President Prof Farzana Shaikh, Vice President Prof Mohammad Kashif Shaikh, Prof Ikram Bajwa and others.

According to Dr Kashif Shaikh, a cardiologist, doctors were now feeling insecure. He pointed out that young female doctors were also booked and they looked nervous and harassed.

He wondered that police had invoked Section 302 (murder) of the Pakistan Penal Code (PPC) in the FIR instead of Section 322 PPC, and that too without first conducting an investigation into the matter.

He said doctors would move high court to seek quashment of the FIR.

He stated that all those connected with the case and had examined the deceased or provided any sort of medical care would record their statements before the inquiry committee formed by Sindh health department. He said the protest would continue. —Staff Correspondent

Aide advises CM to fix paddy price

LARKANA: Special Assistant to the Chief Minister Khair Mohammad Shaikh has advised the provincial government to fix support price of paddy.

He has written a letter to the CM, and the prime minister as well, in this regard.

Mr Shaikh, who also heads the Larkana Chamber of Commerce and Industry (LCCI), stated that the rice crop is the backbone of the regional economy and a major export commodity contributing more than US$3.9bn annually to the national economy.

He noted that since the dissolution of the Rice Export Corporation of Pakistan, farmers, growers and millers had been left vulnerable to market manipulation. He stressed that they should be provided rightful relief by fixing support price of paddy.—Correspondent

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Syed Nazeer Hussain Shah

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Please recite Fatiha for the departed soul.

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The exhibition will take place at Sambara Art Gallery, Karachi, in January 2026.

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JOB OPPORTUNITY

PROJECT DIRECTOR — Establishment of Sindh Safe Cities Project, Karachi

The Home Department, Government of Sindh, is seeking applications from experienced and qualified professionals for the position of Project Director to lead the Sindh Safe City Projects. This is a contractual position for (2) two years, extendable based on performance.

Position Details: Project Director — **Establishment of Sindh Safe Cities Project, Karachi**

Location: Karachi, Sindh.

Job Status: Contract (Two years, extendable based on performance).

Salary Package: i) Project Pay Scale (PPS)-10 will be offered for fresh/direct eligible candidate. ii) In case of re-employment salary package will be offered as per standard terms & conditions of contract appointment notified by Finance Department, Government of Sindh.

Age Limit: Not exceeding 55 years of age (for fresh appointment).

Eligibility Criteria:

Mandatory Qualifications:

- The suitable candidate may have Bachelor/Masters of Project Management, Engineering in Electronics, Computer Science, Telecommunications Engineering, Information Security, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Information Technology (IT), Law, Public Administration, Business Administration, International Security/ Cybersecurity from a reputable national or international university recognized by HEC Pakistan (at least 16 years of education).

Key Responsibilities:

i. **Strategic Oversight:** Supervise the Karachi Safe City Project (All Phases), ensuring all project plans, schedules, and specifications are executed as per PC-I.
ii. **Liaison & Communication:** Represent the Executive Agency, working closely with all stakeholders and consultants.
iii. **Project Management:** Ensure the project aligns with organizational goals, provide strategic leadership, and manage project portfolios effectively, oversee safe city project team, ensuring timely communication and reporting to overseeing bodies/committees without delay.
iv. **Quality & Cost Control:** Ensure strict monitoring of project inputs, processes, and outputs to prevent cost and time overruns.
v. **Risk Management:** Identify potential risks based on ground realities and develop mitigation plans.
vi. **Reporting & Documentation:** Prepare and submit reports, ensuring compliance with standard procedures and formats.
vii. **Preparation of PC-I/II:** prepare PC-I & II and with approval of the Home Department, Government of Sindh process and defend at the relevant forum.
viii. **Conflict Management:** Responsible for overseeing conflict resolution strategies, facilitating dialogue among stakeholders, implementing mediation frameworks, ensuring compliance with legal and regulatory guidelines, and mitigating risks associated with disputes. The role requires effective coordination, timely decision-making, and continuous monitoring to maintain stability.
and achieve project objectives efficiently. The Project Director is bound to apprise, whenever arise any irritant, conflict, or dispute, also have their timely resolution, to the Home Department.
ix. **Stakeholder Coordination:** Maintain harmonious relationships with project teams and stakeholders.
x. **Supervision of Installation & Commissioning:** Oversee project execution, maintain custody of project documents, and submit status reports,
xi. **Compliance & Best Practices:** Successful candidate must be aware of the relevant laws. Ensure adherence to Government Rules, Sindh Public Procurement Authority (SPPRA), and Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA) guidelines, Arbitration Act / Rules, Safe City Authority Act, 2019 and other relevant Laws).

Experience Requirements:

i. Minimum (10) years of work experience in public sector or project management, focusing on the implementation of security framework, as well reviewing and implementing policies and protocols;
ii. Familiarity with smart city and safe city projects and timely solutions;
iii. Experience in working on mega projects shall be an additional advantage.

Specialized Skills:

i. Proven leadership, team-building, negotiation, and communication skills.
ii. In-depth knowledge of Government Rules, Procurement Regulations (SPPRA & PPRA).

Application Process:

i. Interested candidates having domicile of Sindh province and meeting the eligibility criteria must submit their CV, attested copy of CNIC, and relevant documents within 15 days of this advertisement's publication.
ii. Applications shall be sent to the Office of Additional Chief Secretary (Home), Government of Sindh, Tughlaq House, Karachi OR through email address: homedepartment521@gmail.com
iii. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview.
iv. Original documents must be presented at the time of the interview.
v. No TA/DA will be provided for the interview process.
vi. Government employee shall submit their application through proper channel.
vii. No application shall be received after last date of submission.

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